

Wildlife in Wellesley

Wellesley is fortunate to have a wide diversity of wildlife throughout its open space, and wildlife habitat protection is one of the NRC's top land protection priorities in order to preserve and protect this diversity. Several red-tailed and broad-winged hawks were seen in Centennial Reservation, the Town Forest, and near the Town Hall Duck Pond and wild turkeys were once again sighted throughout Town. Many residents enjoy fishing for bass, pike, pickerel and the occasional trout in the Town's ponds and streams. Deer, coyotes, foxes, possums, opossums, rabbits, porcupines, weasels, fishers, woodchucks, skunks and turtles were among the wildlife spotted throughout the NRC's conservation reservations. Great blue herons, ducks including several wood ducks and hooded mergansers, ring-necked pheasants, northern bobwhites, great horned owls, woodpeckers, eastern bluebirds, warblers, finches, sparrows and many other species of birds continued to be in abundance throughout the Town's open space this year.